

New York Girl Held as Fugitive.

Grace Casale, sixteen years old, 22 1st avenue, New York city, was arrested this morning by Detective Burdette and held as a fugitive from parents. She was playing at a local theater, and the detective was told that she obtained a position by representing that she was nineteen years old. The girl was found at a rooming house, where she roomed with two other members of the company. Her parents were notified of her arrest.

Widow's First Year Award, \$100,000

CHICAGO, December 10.—An inventory of the estate of the late Edward Morris, Chicago packer, has been filed in the probate court, giving the sum of \$100,000 as the first year award to the widow. No total of the value of the estate was included in the inventory, which gave in detail all the shares of stocks and the other securities owned by the Morris estate.

ADVOCATES STEADY NAVY ENLARGEMENT

Secretary Daniels for "Normal and Regular Construction" of Battle Craft.

TELLS HOUSE COMMITTEE PERSONNEL IS COMPLETE

Thinks Disarmament Possible by International Agreement—Sees Little Likelihood of Trouble.

Secretary Daniels was the star witness today before the House naval committee. "I have recommended this year that we continue the regular and normal construction recommended last year," said the Secretary. "It seems to me wise policy for steady enlargement."

This included two dreadnaughts, six destroyers, eight submarines or more (one of sea-going and seven or more of the coast defense type), one gunboat and one collier. The President approves this.

Mr. Daniels characterized as "extraneous" suggestions that in the light of the European experience there should be 100 submarines and fifty battleships. The President, he said, believes "in the steady development of the navy."

"The President," he added, "recommended that Congress make the navy more powerful in the orderly way that we did at the last Congress."

Personnel Now Is Full.

"For the first time for many years the navy strength of personnel is full. Of every man offered for service we have decided five. I am not asking for men at this Congress. We must, however, add them as we add to the ships. At the next session of Congress I shall ask for more men. It is unnecessary to have enough men at this time to man all the ships in the navy. We have on every ship, in ordinary and in reserve, enough men to care for them."

"We ought to have not more than 200 of our ships in commission at one time. We have 229 ships in all. We have now 90 per cent of our fighting force in full commission, and we'll keep that up."

Secretary Daniels said he was asking this Congress to authorize a reserve of former sailors of the navy which, he said, would in ten days' time "produce 25,000 picked men for service."

Universal disarmament Mr. Daniels thought practicable, but only by international agreement. "In my last report," he said, "I expressed the hope that the day would come when this feverish haste and competition in costly engines of destruction would stop, and that if this rivalry goes on the burden will become too heavy for any nation to bear."

"Wouldn't we be in better position to propose disarmament if we were to stop heavy building programs?" asked Representative Butler.

Unwile to Stop Strengthening.

"No," replied the Secretary. "It would be unwise for us to act today in any particular as we would not have acted if there had been no war in Europe. After the European war is over, we will learn a great many lessons. It would be a great mistake if we were now to say that because we hope for universal disarmament we should stop now. We would be in a much better position if we continued construction than if we were to quit now."

Secretary Daniels was asked what the

settled military policy of the United States really was. He replied that there ought to be a powerful navy, which "ought to be strengthened all the time."

"Whether," the Secretary added, "there ought to be four battleships authorized this year, as the general board of the navy recommends, or two battleships, as I recommend—men's opinions differ. If the revenue of the country were sufficient to provide it I should say four battleships. But as the revenue is not sufficient, and as the battleships are the minimum for this year to insure the development of a strong navy."

"We should have a strong, steady development. You will never have, either for the army or navy, a defenseless navy, but you will have a strong navy."

Little Likelihood of Trouble.

"We are doing all the American people desire us to do, and we are in a strong position. I think the war in Europe is going to exhaust the resources of the countries engaged, and that there is less likelihood of our having any trouble at any time in the future with these nations than there was before. You are not going to have a perfect war defense on our American policy. We do not wish, nor would the people have, a great standing army or military or naval strength that would impoverish this country. We should not go in competition with nations that are military nations."

Canada was referred to by Secretary Daniels as a purely theoretical case. "If Canada," he said, "were an independent country and the United States wanted war with her, and all our neighbors were as they are in Europe, we would have to adopt a military policy and might have to maintain a great standing army and navy. But with our conditions, policies and American ideas as they are, I think the naval policy recommended, and Congress adopted at the last session of Congress, ought to go on steadily each year."

U. S. Fleet Is Inferior Only to British, But Unprepared, Admiral Fletcher Says

Rear Admiral Fletcher, continuing his answers before the naval affairs committee yesterday afternoon, made clear one vital point, namely, that while the American fleet is a good one, and the equal, perhaps, of any except the British fleet, it is not prepared for the worst possible emergency.

The commander of the Atlantic fleet

was bombarded with questions of every possible character, ranging from international policy down to the condition of submarines in the Atlantic fleet. He stated that if the United States continues its program of two battleships a year it will soon be far outtrunked by Germany. He had no doubt as to the ability of the fleet to control the sea against the Japanese navy, but would not say the American fleet alone could successfully defend the Philippines in a conflict with Japan. After discussing world politics from every angle, some of which the admiral refused to be drawn into, the committee turned again to dreadnaughts. The admiral said that American super-dreadnaughts are superior to those of Germany, and that there is a tendency among the leading powers to eliminate this super-class from the list of fighting ships.

New York Defense Ample.

As to the defense of New York city, the admiral had no doubt as to the ability of the outer forts to hold the enemy at bay.

Representative Roberts suggested that a United States senator, whom he did not name, had been quoted as saying that the American forces had been given twenty-four hours to get out of Vera Cruz by the Carranza authorities. Admiral Fletcher said he knew nothing of any such incident. "I would include everything that I could bring into action."

He admitted he was in doubt as to what use might be made of these four ancient battleships in the event of war, but said, "You could find some use for them."

Behind in Aircraft and Mines.

The admiral said the United States had been behind the time since the development of aircraft and submarine mines, though he would not say that as to submarines. He thought it would be wise to have a liberal appropriation this year for submarine mines, aircraft and auxiliary weapons of that character.

"You have twenty-one effective battleships," he said. "If you received orders to prepare for war how long would it take you?"

"In emergency," replied the admiral,

"some vessels would be made ready today, others tomorrow, and all within a week. We have some in the navy yards undergoing repairs, but they could be ready within that time."

Secretary Daniels' report embodying a statement of the general board of the navy that the lack of a definite naval policy had already placed the United States "in a position of inferiority that may lead to war," was brought up.

The admiral was asked if he agreed with that view. Explaining that the general board has no "recognized official status," he replied that there was no doubt of the great advantage of a definite naval policy to any country. He explained, however, that he did not mean to infer that the policy of building three battleships one year and two another year would lead the United States to war.

Latest Torpedoes Soon.

Admiral Fletcher said the latest American submarines were not equipped with the most modern torpedoes, but they would be.

Pressed to define what was meant by defensive warfare, Admiral Fletcher replied:

"The enemy might wish to drive our commerce off the ocean. Our navy would go out to meet the enemy's fleet. The enemy would plant an army, the defensive operation would be to repel the attack."

"What is the purpose of having this armament, these forty or forty-five big warships that we have?" demanded Representative Butler of Pennsylvania. "To protect your interests, and particularly your commercial interests on the sea," replied Admiral Fletcher.

Representative Witherspoon of Mississippi asked:

"What nation is there that we are not prepared to successfully resist?"

"I think there is," said Admiral Fletcher. "Which one?" demanded Witherspoon.

England Is More Powerful.

"I should say that England has a navy so much more powerful than any other nation that she could easily keep control of the seas."

"Well, are there any other nations that we could not successfully resist?"

"Assuming," Representative Witherspoon continued, after a series of questions tending to show that the five latest American warships built or under construction were larger than England's latest five ships, "that England should send against us more ships than we assume that our ships were superior, would your assumption that England could whip us then be intact?"

"Well," Admiral Fletcher replied, "considering all the circumstances and

conditions of the two fleets, their relative strength and the number of ships brought against us, I should say yes."

"Yes," interjected Mr. Witherspoon, "but I didn't ask you to consider all those things."

"I'm answering concerning the comparative power of the navies," Admiral Fletcher resumed. "I considered all those things necessary to be considered, the number of ships, number of guns, armor, marksmanship and everything practical to consider."

England Only More Powerful.

"Then I understand from your statement," said Mr. Witherspoon, "that you went on to understand that England is the only nation on earth that has a navy that we could not successfully resist?"

"I think that is a fair conclusion," said the admiral. "Suppose we were called upon to defend the Monroe doctrine," suggested Chairman Padgett. "The conditions would be very different than in defending our own shores, would they not?"

"Yes, we would be operating under entirely different conditions," said the admiral. "Conditions would be more difficult because of operations far distant in the sea."

"Are we strong enough," the admiral was asked, "to offer decided resistance against any nation at this time?"

"Not at all," replied the admiral. "We would have to defend ourselves as best we could. It is probably would be unable to keep on the sea or to protect our commerce."

"Are you maintaining the same standard in the personnel of the navy as you always have?"

"It has not been any higher than it is today," replied the admiral. "The ships individually are in a high state of efficiency, as high as they ever have been, and if there is any criticism at all it is because of lack of the usual opportunity to have the ships take their drill exercises together, due to the fleet being busy in Mexico and the West Indies."

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